



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Jack LILIEN *et al.*

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper responds to the Non-Final Office Action mailed 03 October 2003, the response to which is extended three months to 05 April 2004¹, with the accompanying Petition for Extension of Time and a payment of the extension fee.

Claims 1-12, 14, 16, 19-22, 26 and 30 were examined and rejected. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection and the following amendment and discussion are offered in response.

Amendments to the Specification are on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the *Listing of Claims*, which begins on page 3 of this paper and ends at page 6. **Applicants' REMARKS** begin on page 7.

¹ the actual due date having fallen on a Saturday.